

## Joe Slovo, South Africa - No Middle Road, 1976

**Table 1**

### (a) Population of South Africa at 30 June 1974

<i>Africans</i>	<i>Coloureds</i>	<i>Asians</i>	<i>Whites</i>	<i>Total</i>
17,745,000	2,306,000	709,000	4,160,000	24,920,000
(71,2%)	(9,3%)	(2,8%)	(16,7%)	

Source: Bulletin of Statistics, December 1974, Department of Statistics, Pretoria.  
Estimates based in 1970 Census.

### (b) Rate of population growth between 1960 and 1970

<i>Africans</i>	<i>Coloureds</i>	<i>Asians</i>	<i>Whites</i>
36,3%	32,3%	28,7%	2.4%

Source: Preliminary figures released by the Department of Statistics, Pretoria, for the period 8 September 1960 to 6 May 1970.

### (c) Distribution of Africans between 'White South Africa' and the 'Homelands'

<i>'White areas'</i>	<i>'Homelands'</i>
8,060,773	6,994,179

Source: Bulletin of Statistics, December 1974, Department of Statistics, Pretoria.  
Figures based on 1970 population.

### (d) Economically active persons total figures and as a percentage of whole population

<i>Africans</i>	<i>Coloureds</i>	<i>Asians</i>	<i>Whites</i>
6,389,000	807,000	208,000	1,673,000
(70,4%)	(8,9%)	(2,3%)	(18,4%)

Source; Minister of Statistics based on estimates for June 1974, Hansard 6, Col. 4{}0, 9 September 1974.

### (e) Distribution of Africans in 'White' areas

<i>Urban</i>	<i>Rural</i>
4,614,649	3,446,124

Source; Bulletin of Statistics, December 1974, Department of Statistics, Pretoria.  
Estimates based on 1970 Census.

### (f) Growth of wage-gap in Rand per annum - excluding agriculture, domestic service & railways

<i>Year</i>	<i>Whites</i>	<i>Africans</i>	<i>Gap</i>
1969	2,874	439	2,435
1970	3,213	472	2,741
1971	3,555	519	3,036
1972	3,824	578	3,246

Source:- Bulletin of Statistics, March 1974, Department of Statistics, Pretoria.  
(If above categories were included, the gap would be considerably bigger.)